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REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed January 15, 2008, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of record based on the following arguments.

The rejection of claims 1-13 under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over claims 1-13 of U.S. Patent No. 6,753,144 is noted, but deemed moot in view of the Terminal Disclaimer filed herewith.

Accordingly, reconsideration and withdrawal of the present rejection are respectfully requested.

For at least the foregoing reasons, Applicants respectfully submit that all of the pending claims herein are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to issue a Notice of Allowance for this application in due course.

If the Examiner believes that contact with Applicants' attorney would be advantageous toward the disposition of this case, the Examiner is herein requested to call Applicants' attorney at the phone number noted below.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1446.

Respectfully submitted,

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